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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

- 1. Application 11 pages, including 1 independent claim and 23 claims total.
- 2. Drawings 2 sheets of drawings containing 9 figures.

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Basic Application Filing Fee					\$770	\$	\$770.00
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